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CAPTAIN KLIMENKO RETURNS TO THIRD REICH

Nazi Agent Will Report to German War
Office Regarding Ukrainian-Americans

The Hour is informed that one of the key Nazi agents who has been operating in the United States is returning for a temporary visit to Germany. His name is Captain Leonid Klimenko. He sailed on the American Export SS. Siboney on December 7. The ship is due at Lisbon on December 16.

Captain Klimenko works closely with the Provid, the fascist Ukrainian headquarters located in Berlin and functioning under the supervision of the Intelligence Department of the German War Office. Klimenko had two main duties in the United States; to rally support for the "Nationalist" (pro-Nazi) Ukrainian movement; and to improve the organizational work of the Ukrainian fascists in this country. Needless to say, he brought with him to America important messages from the Provid; and he carries similar reports with him on his return trip.

Upon arriving in Spain, Klimenko intends to head straight for Madrid, to discuss some matters of mutual interest with his chief contact in that city -- a secretary at the Slovakian Legation. From Madrid, Klimenko plans to go to Italy (through France) and then to Germany. In Berlin he undoubtedly will first report to Colonel Andrew Melnyk, the head of the Provid and the fuehrer of fascist Ukrainian activities throughout the world.

Klimenko's Views on U. S. Visit

Before leaving the United States, Klimenko had an intimate chat with certain friends. He praised the ODWU and the Hetman, fascist Ukrainian-American organizations, for the cooperation they had extended to him. He angrily criticized the pro-democratic Ukrainian groups, like the Ukrainian Workingmen's Association of Soranton, Pennsylvania, for their refusal to give him any assistance; and he said the powers-that-be in Berlin would be "informed" regarding those Ukrainian-

Americans who failed to cooperate with him. (Into the latter category, of course, fall the great majority of Ukrainian-Americans, who are striving to root out Nazi, ODNWU and Hetman influence from Ukrainian life in the United States.)

Klimenko also spoke briefly about the fascist Ukrainian movement in Detroit, Michigan, where -- as The Hour disclosed on November 9-- new headquarters for the ODNWU and the Hetman are being contemplated. The Captain was not too pleased with the headway being made in that city. He complained about the work of the Fatherland, the Ukrainian newspaper which he was instrumental in starting in Detroit. He said that he recently left a number of articles with the paper, but that he knew the editors, "because they are so worried today," would tone down his material to the point where it was almost unrecognizable.

Captain Klimenko admitted that he himself was somewhat perturbed over the possibility of his ship being stopped by the British.

Latest Garb of ODNWU-Hetman

In the light of current activities of the ODNWU and the Hetman, some of Captain Klimenko's observations are of particular interest. These two fascistic Ukrainian-American organizations are today loudly asserting their "pro-democratic" and "anti-fascist" character. They have even gone one step farther. According to an article appearing on November 15 in the New York newspaper PM, the ODNWU has established a "Ukrainian-American Committee to Aid the Allies." And what more, ask ODNWU leaders, could be done to show their anti-Nazi tendencies?

But Captain Klimenko is not disturbed about these avowals. He happens to know that this recently acquired love for democracy does not prevent the ODNWU and Hetman from giving concrete aid to Nazi agents.

Of course, Captain Klimenko also knows what The Hour reported several weeks ago: that the Nazis themselves are advocating this "pro-democratic" tactic for all their agencies in the United States. And the present ODNWU platform simply mirrors this policy.

On September 14, The Hour quoted these pertinent words from the letter of a prominent Ukrainian churchman: "The ODNWU became violently democratic lately. Statements to the effect that democracy is decadent and rotten to the core, that the U. S. will be taught a lesson by Japan, that the totalitarian is the only system of government, etc., are not being repeated any more. Instead the ODNWU assures President Roosevelt of its undying loyalty to the government of the U. S. and proclaims itself a true defender of democracy."

Almost all the fascists in the United States are at present employing this chameleon-like tactic. The Hour is not surprised when pro-Nazi groups, for strategic purposes, advocate "aid to the Allies." Any day now the German-American Bund is liable to endorse the sending of bundles to Britain.

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UKRAINIAN FASCIST PAPERS SUFFER SETBACK

The Hour is informed from Ottawa that the Canadian Government
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has decided to bar from the Dominion of Canada three Ukrainian fascistic newspapers published in the United States; the ODWU Ukraine, the Hetman Nash Styah, and the pro-Nazi Svoboda. The publishers of these newspapers will be duly notified of the ruling.

The decision was made consequent to the revelations concerning these publications that appeared originally in The Hour, and later in PM, Friday magazine, and The Nation. Among other facts, The Hour disclosed that -- according to a statement appearing over his own name -- Vladimir Dushnyok, the editor of the Ukraine, had been arrested several years ago in Belgium on charges of Nazi espionage activity; that the Nash Styah is the official organ for expressing the fascistic views of the Hetman and has even carried instructions regarding the drilling of armed bands of that organization; that the Svoboda has had close connections with the Nazis and its editor, Luke Myshuha, recently visited Berlin and Vienna and spoke over Nazi-controlled radio networks.

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KULLGREN'S CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

William Kullgren, the mystic fascist of Atascadero, California, has become an exponent of "Americanism" and "democracy." His magazine The Beacon Light, in which fascistic theories are interlarded with astrological "visions," now emphasizes such opinions as:

"I myself consider the danger from Fascist groups equal to the danger from Communist groups, and eventually these groups will join hands at least to the extent of attacking the U. S. and her people. There is no difference between the spirit of Communism and the spirit of Fascism; they are one and the same thing in spirit, representing the Babylonian system. Therefore, as far as I am concerned, I can not cooperate with any group which calls itself Nazi or Fascist."

And Kullgren goes on to say that he urges "all patriotic Americans to free themselves from pro-Japanese, pro-Italian and pro-German groups."

Literature for the Holidays

After voicing these "patriotic" sentiments in the December issue of The Beacon Light, Kullgren offers for sale certain literature which he believes will make good Christmas reading. The titles are listed under the heading, "Books You Should Read On Communism, The Jewish Question, Etc."

Among the works suggested is the notorious anti-Semitic forgery, "Protocols on the Learned Elders of Zion." Other books and pamphlets named are "The TALMUD Unmasked," "The Riddle of the Jews' Success," "Jewish Ritual Murder," and "The Jewish Question." The last pamphlet is devoted to reprints of articles which appeared in the Dearborn In-



dependent when this newspaper was edited by William J. Cameron of the Ford Motor Company.

Other recommended authors are Gerald B. Winrod, Kansas Nazi-phile; Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling, of red-baiting fame; and Clare E. Hoffman, Michigan's violently anti-labor Congressman.

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JAPANESE PROPAGANDIST PRAISES MRS. LINDBERGH

The latest issue of the Japanese propaganda newspaper, The Japanese American Review, published fortnightly by the Nippon Publishing Company at 216 East 45th Street, New York City, expresses warm approval of Mrs. Charles E. Lindbergh's book, The Wave of the Future. In an article discussing current world affairs, editor Y. E. Muraoka remarks:

"Neither is it entirely novel to envisage it [the present world conflict] as a struggle between the forces of the past and those of the future, though this idea is given much of the charm of fresh discovery in Mrs. Lindbergh's widely and deservedly praised book, The Wave of the Future."

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JAPAN'S RECONDITIONED PROPAGANDA MACHINE

On November 23 The Hour reported a sudden and considerable intensification of Japanese propaganda efforts in this country. Word now comes from Tokyo that a thorough reorganization is taking place in the propaganda apparatus of the Japanese Government. Needless to say, this reorganization has been largely necessitated by the increased activity of Nipponese propagandists in America.

The renovated Ministry of Propaganda, which the Japanese have euphemistically entitled the "New Bureau of Information," is to have its headquarters in the former Imperial theatre in Tokyo. The Ministry has five chief divisions: General Affairs, Planning, Domestic Information, Overseas Information, and Culture. Koh Ishii, former Consul General at Los Angeles, will be the chief "contact man" with newspaper correspondents. Nobufumi Ito, present head of the "cabinet information bureau," will continue as Propaganda Minister. The department will include representatives from the Foreign Office, the Army and the Navy.

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BUSINESS THROUGH BERLIN

The Hour is in receipt of a story with interesting overtones. It is this. The Berlin representative of one of the largest advertising agencies in the United States has just cabled to his superiors in New York, making two recommendations; first, that the Paris branch of the advertising agency be immediately placed under his supervision; second, that as soon as possible the London office come under his direction also.